

## A TRIP TO THE HOSPITAL

James woke up and stretched his arms way above his head. It was a Monday morning and James [down/ form/ knew] he would have to hurry to [be/ as/ it] on time for school. James felt something prickly [in/ we/ is] the back of his throat and swallowed. [Do/ In/ Oh], his throat hurt very badly. James swallowed [trend/ didn't/ again] and still felt a sore throat. [Big/ He/ No] lay back in bed and pulled [the/ dig/ saw] covers up over his head. "How [did/ get/ one] I get so lucky to have [as/ a/ do] sore throat on a Monday morning," James thought. "[Oh/ It/ Is] well, I guess I'll just have [to/ is/ or] stay in bed."

"Get up, lazy [want/ bones/ were]," James's mother said as she came [into/ down/ theme] the room. "I can't, Mom," said James, "[my/ or/ is] throat really hurts." "Hmm," said Mom, "[do/ if/ let] me take a look. Well," she [said/ down/ form] as she looked in James' throat, "[give/ ditch/ your] throat does look red so I guess [road/ were/ we'll] have to go to the doctor." James [from/ hated/ sick] going to the doctor's office but [so/ it/ he] knew if he said "no" he [would/ drive/ said] have to go to school. "OK, Mom," James [down/ said/ from] as he slid down under the [covers/ given/ sick].

Later that morning, James and his [fetch/ mother/ blast] drove to the doctor's office. "Mrs. Smith," [for/ the/ east] doctor said, "your son has very [dig/ were/ big] tonsils and they will have to be [said/ taken/ were] out." "Oh, no," James said, "I [ease/ wish/ fast] I had gone to school." The [gather/ wonder/ doctor] said he could take James' tonsils [the/ sow/ out] on Friday and would expect to [dig/ see/ why] James at the hospital Friday morning.

"Mom," James [give/ said/ waste] on the way home, "I'm scared. I [for/ seem/ don't]

want to go into the hospital." "I [lost/ know/ zoo], James," said his mom, "but if [your/ from/ intent] tonsils are sore, then they have [to/ am/ is] be taken out, and then you'll be OK." James [wasn't/ from/ didn't] so sure he'd be OK but [call/ been/ he] knew better than to say anymore.

[In/ On/ As] Friday morning, James and his mother [drove/ house/ real] to the hospital. James felt scared [inside/ given/ sauce] but knew he had to be [course/ thin/ brave]. A nurse checked him in and [open/ said/ took] him down to his room. "I'm [really/ heart/ your] scared," James said to the nurse. "[from/ drag/ Well], James," the nurse said "that is [is/ or/ a] very normal feeling. Let me tell [you/ quit/ wart] all about having your tonsils taken [out/ joy/ for]." After the nurse told James what [vast/ would/ corn] happen to him, James felt much [busted/ better/ yellow]. At least the nurse did not [fit/ fore/ tell] James that he was being silly.

James [cap/ stir/ woke] up feeling groggy after the doctor [took/ dress/ asked] his tonsils out. The first person [in/ or/ he] saw was his mom leaning over [get/ the/ sore] bed. "How do you feel James?" [from/ were/ asked] Mom. "OK, but my throat really [live/ thin/ hurts] now," said James. Just then the [more/ nurse/ vase] came in with a dish full [is/ of/ it] ice cream. "You will have a [dish/ need/ sore] throat for a couple of days [low/ dig/ until] your throat heals," said the nurse. "[Until/ You're/ Open] going to need to eat lots [of/ is/ by] ice cream for the next two [days/ for/ were]."

James smiled with joy and relief. [In/ He/ As] was glad that his tonsils were finally [down/ form/ gone] and that he could only eat [had/ ice/ car] cream for the next two days. "[Keep/ Draw/ Maybe]," James thought, "getting your tonsils out [given/ slow/ isn't] so bad after all."